2. The War Cabinet have decided that a man of high business qualifications, wide knowledge, experience, and energy, shall be appointed with direct responsibility to them as Head of a British War Mission, comprising the existing Departmental Missions, so that by generally supervising and co-ordinating their action he may prevent over-lapping and secure better results. He will have full authority over all the Departmental Missions, and will have the right to dispense with the services of any member whom he may consider unsuitable.

3. His primary duty will be to control our own operations, e.g. the recruiting of British citizens, and the manufacture, purchase, and transport over land and sea of all supplies. He will determine the priority of conflicting claims among different Departments in these and kindred matters.

4. As Great Britain is not the only purchaser of supplies in the United States of America, it will be necessary for the Head of the Mission to establish and maintain the friendliest possible relations, not only with the United States Authorities, *but also with the representatives of our Allies in the United States of America, to promote co-operation between them, and to use his utmost endeavours to avoid competition between them, and the raising of prices.

5. On questions of importance arising directly

out of his Mission, the Head of the Mission will have
the right to communicate direct with the Prime
Minister ; on matters of less importance, or of
Departmental detail, he will communicate to the
head of the Department concerned, either direct
or through the Department's representative in the
United States of America.